

Substitute Bill No. 102

February Session, 2002

## AN ACT REQUIRING THE ISSUANCE OF UNITED WE STAND COMMEMORATIVE NUMBER PLATES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2002) (a) On and after January 1,
- 2 2003, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall issue United We Stand
- 3 commemorative number plates of a design to enhance public solidarity
- 4 following the acts of terrorism committed on September 11, 2001. Such
- 5 plates shall bear the words "United We Stand" and the image of the
- 6 American flag. Said design may be determined by a contest
- 7 coordinated by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. No use shall be
- 8 made of such plates except as official registration marker plates.
- 9 (b) A fee of fifty dollars shall be charged for United We Stand
- 10 commemorative number plates, in addition to the regular fee or fees
- 11 prescribed for the registration of a motor vehicle. Fifteen dollars of
- such fee shall be deposited in an account controlled by the Department
- 13 of Motor Vehicles to be used for the cost of producing, issuing,
- 14 renewing and replacing such number plates. No additional fee shall be
- 15 charged in connection with the renewal of such number plates. No
- 16 transfer fee shall be charged for the transfer of an existing registration
- 17 to or from a registration with United We Stand commemorative
- 18 number plates. Such number plates shall have letters and numbers
- 19 selected by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. The Commissioner of
- 20 Motor Vehicles may establish a higher fee for: (1) Number plates which

- 21 contain the numbers and letters from a previously issued number 22 plate; (2) number plates which contain letters in place of numbers as 23 authorized by section 14-49 of the general statutes, in addition to the 24 fee or fees prescribed for registration under said section; and (3) 25 number plates which are low number plates issued in accordance with 26 section 14-160 of the general statutes, in addition to the fee or fees 27 prescribed for registration under said section. All fees established and 28 collected pursuant to this section, except moneys designated for 29 administrative costs of the Department of Motor Vehicles, shall be 30 deposited in the United We Stand commemorative account established 31 pursuant to section 2 of this act.
  - (c) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to establish standards and procedures for the issuance, renewal and replacement of United We Stand commemorative number plates.
- 36 Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2002) (a) There is established an account to be known as the "United We Stand commemorative 37 38 account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the 39 General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law 40 to be deposited in the account.
  - (b) Fifty per cent of the moneys in said account shall be distributed quarterly to the United States Department of State Rewards for Justice program and used solely to apprehend terrorists and bring them to justice and fifty per cent shall be expended by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management for the purposes of providing financial support and assistance to the former spouses and dependents of persons killed as a result of the acts of terrorism committed on September 11, 2001.
  - (c) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may receive private donations to said account and any such receipts shall be deposited in said account.

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This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	July 1, 2002
Sec. 2	July 1, 2002

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